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In re Application of

Stifter et al.

Application No.: 10/587,176

PCT No.: PCT/AT05/00009

Int. Filing Date: 20 January 2005

Priority Date: 27 January 2004

Attorney Docket No.: 66376-387

Training Device For The For:

Muscles Of The Pelvic Floor

DECISION

ON

PETITION

This is in response to the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) filed on 12 February 2008.

DISCUSSION

In a Decision mailed on 07 January 2008, the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) filed on 20 December 2007 was dismissed, without prejudice, because Dr. Stifter's last known address was unclear, and because it was consequently unclear whether certain correspondence had in fact been sent to his last known address.

In response, petitioner has provided a statement signed by Michael Babeluk clarifying Dr. Stifter's last known address. In view of this clarification, the objections raised in the Decision mailed on 07 January 2008 have been resolved. Therefore, all of the requirements for relief under 37 CFR 1.47(a) now have been satisfied.

DECISION

The petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is **GRANTED**.

The \$65.00 surcharge under 37 CFR 1.492(h) is being charged to Deposit Account no. 04-2223, as authorized by the Transmittal Letter filed on 24 July 2006.

As provided in 37 CFR 1.47(a), a notice of the filing of this application will be forwarded to the non-signing inventor at his last known address of record.

A notice of the filing of the application under 37 CFR 1.47(a) will be published in the Official Gazette.

The application is being returned to the Office of Patent Application Processing for processing as the U.S. National Stage of the above-identified international application. Its date under 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (2) and (4) is 15 June 2007.

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Dear Dr. Stifter:

You are named as a joint inventor in the above identified United States patent application, filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 116 (United States Code), and 37 CFR 1.47(a), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application you will be designated therein as a joint inventor.

As a named inventor you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, counsel of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3283. Requests for information regarding your application should be directed to the File Information Unit at (703) 308-2733. Requests for information regarding how to pay for and order a copy of the application, or a specific paper in the application, should be directed to Certification Division at (703) 308-9726 or 1(800) 972-6382 (outside the Washington D.C. area).

Any further correspondence with respect to this matter should be addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Mail Stop PCT, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, with the contents of the letter marked to the attention of the Office of PCT Legal Administration.

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